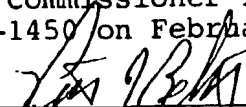


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Sir:

In response to the Office Action (FINAL REJECTION) dated January 21, 2004 finally rejecting claims 1-28, it is respectfully requested that the following amendment be entered, canceling claims 1-7, 9, and 10, amending claims 8 and 11, and the following remarks be considered that place this Application in condition for allowance.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.